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Employee doubles as guitar-playing band member

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Athletes to be tested

Wartburg will begin random drug testing

AARON HAGEN *EDITOR-IN-CHIEF*

Wartburg College athletes will now be subject to random drug tests.

Beginning this fall, all athletes could be tested for numerous drugs, including anabolic steroids.

"We're really just trying to be proactive with what's going to happen nationally in this area," Rick Willis, athletic director, said. "Our intent is not to see if we can catch some people doing something wrong, rather it's to educate and to help."

Willis also said that testing is not being initiated because of a problem at Wartburg.

"This isn't something that Wartburg College is doing because there is some perception of a problem," Willis said.

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Bed bugs force students to flee dorm rooms

Wartburg has first cases of infestation; officials scramble to kill critters

KRYSTAL FOWLER *MANAGING EDITOR*

Bed bugs have been discovered in a few dorm rooms. The bugs were found Sept. 18. At least three rooms have been infested by the tiny bugs.

Upon learning of the first room's possible infestation, residence life officials began preparations to temporarily-move students while the room was cleaned.

Students took the clothes they needed for several days and were provided free laundry services to clean them, according to Pete Armstrong, director of residential life.

The students were then asked to go to the Health and Wellness Center to have their bites checked and were asked to recall any other rooms they had visited or other students who had spent time in their rooms.

Then, two other rooms were found to be infested, although to a lesser degree.

The students were then moved to temporary rooms while their room were cleaned. All of their clothes were bagged and later cleaned. Mattresses were taken and destroyed, as well as the students' furniture.

All of the college's furniture has been removed, cleaned or destroyed.

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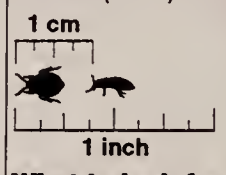
Don't let the bedbugs bite

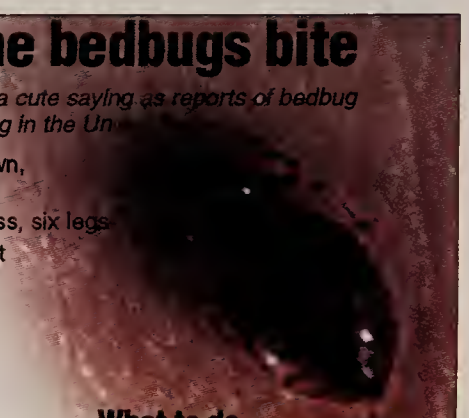
It's becoming more than a cute saying as reports of bedbug infestations are increasing in the Un

Color: Light reddish-brown, darker just after feeding

Shape: Oval, flat, flightless, six legs

Size: Adults can be about 1/4 inch (6 mm)





What to look for

- Itchy red welts in the morning that weren't there the night before
- Dark spotting on mattress, box springs and bed frames from bedbug fecal matter
- Spots of blood on sheets and mattress

What to do

- Experts say professional exterminators, with several follow-up visits, may be needed

How to avoid

- Examine secondhand furniture and luggage after trips
- Check hotel beds for dark spots, place luggage on a rack instead of the floor when traveling

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Wartburg intramurals add activities, postpone others

Construction and student input lead to changes in intramural line-up

JOSH DOCKUM *ASSISTANT NEWS EDITOR*

Because of construction of the new PEC, flag football, basketball, racquetball and volleyball have been postponed from fall to spring. Jim Conlon, director of intramurals, said he hopes to increase participation.

A singles' tennis tournament, ultimate frisbee, sand volleyball and kickball have been added to intramural offerings.

"The biggest reason we moved flag football to the spring time was to increase participation," Conlon said.

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Roland Ferrie/*Trumpet*

Arrrgh, walk the plank!

Carsten Earl and Kelsey True participate in National Talk Like a Pirate Day Tuesday.

Freshmen senators elected

eVote problems lead to paper ballots

SNEHA PRADHAN *STAFF WRITER*

The student senate has added 10 freshmen senators. More than 250 freshmen voted for their favorite candidates Sep. 20. Twenty-one candidates were on the ballot.

New freshmen senators are Eric Johnson, Amy Tucker, Laura Claussen Meredith Poe, Allison Schulz, Katie Wright, Peter Ostiguy, Bethany Creed, Danielle Anderson and Zakh Ward. Johnson was the top vote-getter with 165 votes.

The election was primarily for freshmen because upperclassmen spots were filled and were uncontested.

"I think it's important to have the election for students to be able to vote because the senators will be representing the students," Eva Sersland, student body president, said. "So, it's important that they have a say in who represents them."

Voting was completed using paper ballots because eVote, the online voting system, failed. According to Sersland, eVote was created as a senior project, and Wartburg computers do not support the same programming language.

"We're going to try to move to a more dependable program," she said.

The senators will serve for the 2006-2007 academic year excluding May Term.

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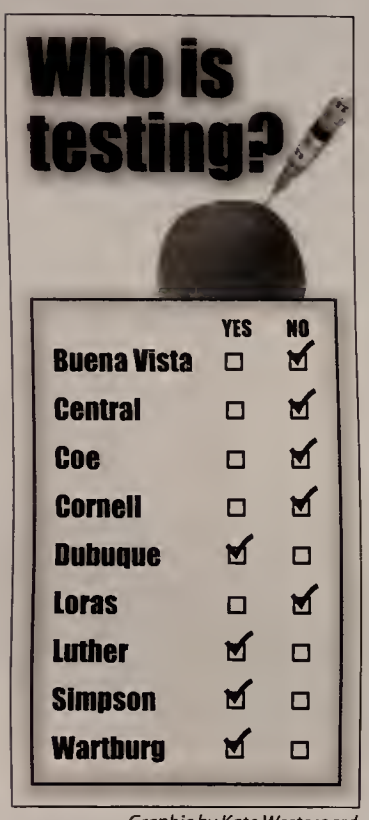
Athletes confront random testing and stiff penalties

Stimulants, steroids, diuretics, street drugs and peptide hormones among drugs analyzed



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"It's an issue nationwide, and it's something we're just trying to address and stay on top of."

Even though the policy is remedial, a positive test would carry stiff penalties.

According to the drug policy, the first positive would result in a suspension for 10 percent of the season. A second positive would carry a suspension of at least 12 months. If any athlete tests positive three times, he or she would be suspended permanently. Penalties will also include education and counseling.

Students will be tested for five different classes of drugs. The classes are stimulants, anabolics, diuretics, street drugs and peptide hormones.

The NCAA does not have a mandatory drug testing policy in div. III. However, Luther, Simpson, and Dubuque test their athletes. Buena Vista and Central plan to begin testing this year.

Luther has been testing since 1995, and Luther's penalties compare to those Wartburg has in place. Simpson has been testing since 1998, and one positive test at Simpson results in a suspension for one year.

At Wartburg, two different ways of testing exist. According to the drug test policy that all athletes received this summer, athletes can be tested randomly or if they are suspected of drug abuse. Officials may require testing if an athlete exhibits a significant decline in academic or athletic performance, misses class, loses or gains significant weight or falls asleep in class.

Willis said that reasonable suspicion has to "be fairly concrete, not just hearsay."

People from every sport could be tested to help get an accurate cross-section of athletes.

Tim Koberna, head athletic trainer, said he will collect specimens, but Drug Free Sport, the company with which Wartburg formed a partnership, will actually select the athletes.

"Drug Free Sport will go ahead and randomly select the student-athlete," Koberna said. "I will then be informed of the student-athletes who are being selected for the testing."

A specimen will be collected and sent to a regional lab for testing. However, if anabolic steroids are suspected, the sample will be sent to UCLA.

The drug policy states that athletes may request rehabilitation without penalty. The provision is called the "Safe Harbor Program." An athlete may refer himself or herself to the program for voluntary evaluation and counseling. The athlete spends 30 days in the program, where a positive test would not result in any suspension.

At press time, no testing had been conducted, but Willis and Koberna anticipate the tests will be conducted soon.

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Outside contractor fumigates area; college destroys furniture

Officials suspect bed bugs brought to campus by conference guest during the summer

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An outside contractor then fumigated the room, and the carpet was steam cleaned, also by an outside contractor.

The students were permitted to move back in Friday.

The procedures that were used on the first room will probably be used on other rooms identified as potentially housing the bugs, residence life officials said.

One student who lives in the first room said he was happy with the response of the college and residential life. He said he believes the school has done everything it can to get rid of the infestation and that students will be reimbursed for new furniture.

Campus officials think that the infestation initially may have occurred last summer when the rooms were occupied during summer activities.

"We did have a report in the summer in that room and we sprayed," he said. "We believe a summer conference resident brought them with them," Armstrong said.

Summer conference residents regularly stay in dorm rooms, and Armstrong believes some of the bed bugs must have survived the initial fumigation and infested the room again.

According to the Harvard School of Public Health, an apparently empty room or apartment can harbor the bugs because the critters can survive several months without feeding.

Bed bugs thrive on the blood of humans and animals, much like mosquitoes. They are not known to transmit diseases and live all over the world. Bed bug populations have been making a resurgence in recent years.

Armstrong agrees.

"Hotels and colleges are seeing more of this generally, and we're no different, unfortunately," he said.

Although these have been the first and only cases confirmed at Wartburg so far, residence life plans to closely monitor the situation.

"There will be some ongoing spraying done at regular intervals to be sure that we are staying on top of it," Armstrong said. "We're always concerned about any kind of problem that arises in a room...but these rooms have been identified and we'll be monitoring them."

Having a cluttered living space can provide more hiding places for the bugs, making extermination harder, but it doesn't cause the initial infestation. A carrier, such as a suitcase or second hand furniture that is already infested, usually harbors the bugs.

"You can take 24 showers a day and still have them," Armstrong said. "It has nothing to do with that."

Bed bugs are most active at night and hide in crevices and folds of fabric during the day. Their bites can cause irritation, but are different than mosquito bites. Anyone who thinks he or she might have bed bugs in their room should contact the residential life office.

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Flag football scheduled later

Teams divided into two divisions

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"Flag football will be split into two divisions, A and B. Division A teams will include football players. Division B will include other competitors."

Winners of the divisions may play one another, Conlon said. Offering more recreational sports was because of student feedback, he added.

The location for each fall sport is as follows: kickball, practice soccer field or softball field; beanbag tournament, Clinton field; single tennis tournament, tennis courts; ultimate frisbee behind the Manors; and sand volleyball in the sand volleyball pits.

Winter intramurals include 8-ball billiards tournament, dodge ball, ping-pong leagues and dorm wars.

Spring intramurals include seven vs. seven soccer (A and B divisions), flag football (A and B divisions), softball, four vs. four sand volleyball, bocce ball, Frisbee golf, IM Olympics and decathlon/triathlon with canoeing.

According to Conlon, what he enjoys most is seeing the intramural teams and individuals having fun and building friendships.

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Roland Ferrie/*Trumpet*

Fresh brewed song

Ellie Rogaczewski and Aaron Schutte, sophomores, perform in Cardinal Commons at the coffee house Friday.

TRUMPET/*People*

Roland Ferrie/*Trumpet*
Floyd Junker, above and right, plays with members of his band, Beaver Creek Band. With Junker are banjo player, Brett Vette, and bass player, Fred Davidson. Jeff Junker, bass player, and Trent Poppe, who plays several instruments, were not available during the photo session.

One, two, three, pick!

Custodian works, plays passionately

KRYSTAL FOWLER *MANAGING EDITOR*

Friends of Floyd Junker, Wartburg staff member, say he spends a lot of time smiling.

The friends also say he spends a lot of time picking.

When Junker puts the two together, he does something else a lot - what many in the South call pickin' and grinnin'.

Junker's association with Wartburg is a long one. He just marked his 19th year as a member of the maintenance department on Sept. 14. However, his association with Beaver Creek Band has been even longer.

Twenty-eight years ago Junker became a founding member of what is now Beaver Creek Band.

The band's style is bluegrass, a style the members love and one for which they offer no apologies. Junker had never been in a band before, but he had played guitar for years.

"I always wanted to play, but I never had any ambition to be in a band," Junker said.

After meeting some people with like interests, however, Junker and the others formed the band, with Junker playing rhythm guitar. Today, almost all of the original members are gone, but the band has evolved and still continues to play Bluegrass and several other types of music.

"They probably think we're hicks," Junker said of the public, "but that's the way we are. That's the way we like it."

The band schedules many performances a year. Most shows are held during the summer at wedding receptions, fairs and business and church functions.

They have played 16 shows this year, and although they don't have anymore scheduled right now, Junker expects they will play a few more before winter comes.

The band usually practices once a week at Junker's house when preparing for shows.

"My wife's a good sport about everything," Junker said. "Every time we go somewhere, she's always there."

Although the band plays locally, they did travel to Clear Lake twice this year to perform. Junker has also attended the Julian Bluegrass Festival in California.

He and a banjo player went to the festival in 2001, the day before the Sept. 11 attacks. Although the attacks overshadowed the 10-day event, everything turned out all right, and the two were able to return home when air travel resumed.

Junker is not only inspired by love for the music he plays, but also appreciation for the character of his audience.

"If you go to a blue grass festival, you don't have to lock your camper. You don't have to lock your car," Junker said. "You can lay your guitar down anywhere, and when you go back to get it, it will be there. And if it isn't there, somebody will have taken it to where they can report it."

Although he has been playing in the same band for 28 years, longer than he has worked at Wartburg, Junker said he looks at it as a hobby and wouldn't want to play music full time.

"No, definitely not," he said of going professional. "Then it gets to be work."

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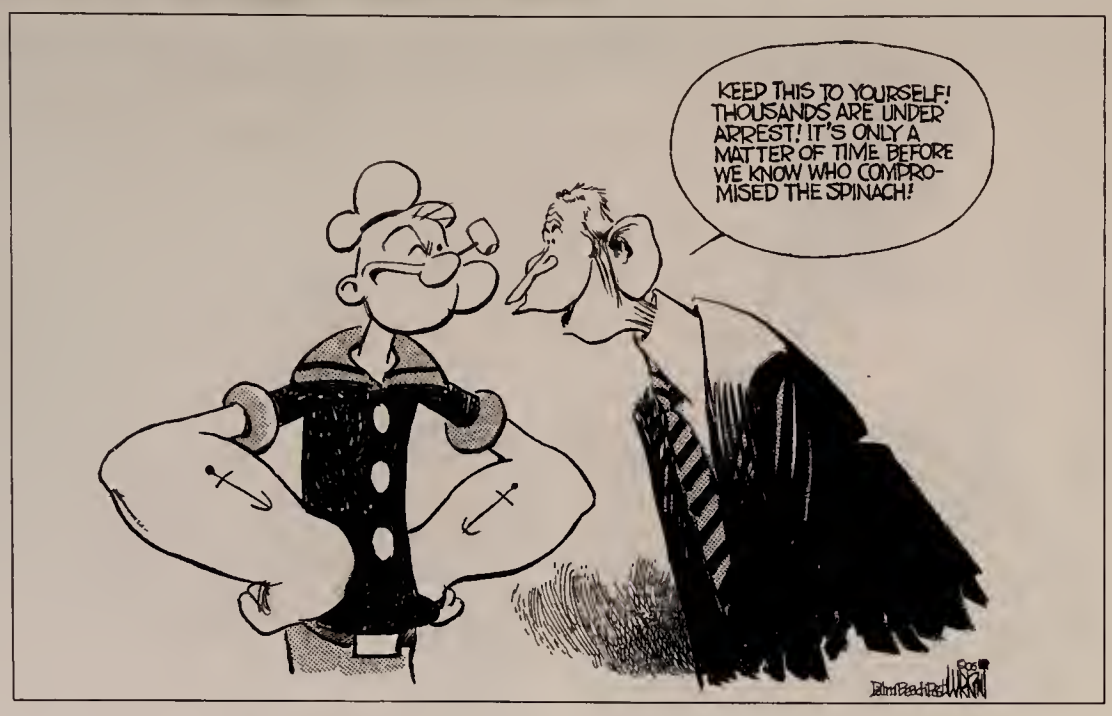

Editorials

Biting the hand that feeds you

Student workers deserve appreciation for their efforts to keep Wartburg running smoothly

Imagine this: you roll out of bed at 6 a.m., put on a hideous orange t-shirt and go to work for minimum wage. What's the first thing you want to hear from your peers? That the yogurt looks gross? That other students want soft-serve ice cream back? That the bathroom isn't clean enough for them? Probably not.

The majority of students on campus have had a work-study job, and many of them have heard the all-too-familiar complaints about factors beyond their control.

The fact is, student workers only make minimum wage and often work less than desirable hours, either early in the morning or late at night.

Student workers do a lot of the dirty jobs on campus. For example, they clean toilets, do dishes and take out trash. Without student workers, campus would not survive. Buildings and dorms would not be clean; food would not be served; mail would not be delivered, and prospective students would not be left with a good impression of the college.

The last thing that student workers on campus need to hear is something about the issues for which they have no control. Students who have issues with changes or policies need to take their concerns to higher authorities.

Saying "please" and "thank" you to acknowledge student workers' efforts make a difference. Just watch and see because without student workers, Wartburg College would be worthless.

Appreciate and respect fellow students who are working hard to make the lives of other students easier.

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You were born in the 80s if...

Facebook group brings back memories of childhood

AARON HAGEN *EDITOR-IN-CHIEF*

In a few of my free moments this past week, I was perusing Facebook, when I came across an interesting group, "You know you were born in the 80s if..." Because I am 22 - I did the math and figured out I was, in fact, born in the 80s - I had to look.

I found a list of 141 ways we, as children of the 80s, can distinguish ourselves from others in society. When looking through the list, some definitely hit home.

The first item that made me remember the "good ol' days" was, "You saw the original 'Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles' on the big screen and still know the turtles' names, and the names of the villains."

Because I am a product of the 80s, I cannot only name the turtles, but I can name the colors they wore and their weapon of choice. Just to prove my point, I will demonstrate my turtle prowess.

Donatello wore purple and had a staff. Leonardo wore blue and had the swords. Michaengelo wore orange and had the numchucks. Finally, Raphael wore red and had a pair of sai, or the knife-like deals. The arch-nemesis of the turtles was Shredder, who still scares me to this day.

What makes this even worse is that I dressed up like a Ninja Turtle for Halloween. Not a pretty picture, but it was cool when I was 6. I could go on for hours about the video games I played, as well as the toys I had, and still do.

Back to the list.

"You got super-excited when it was Oregon Trail day in computer class at school."

Oregon Trail was the thing to do when we were kids. As a matter of fact, I still have the game on my computer. And I will admit, I actually still play. When I was younger, I always used the names of my friends, and then truly felt bad when they would die on the game. It ruined many of my days.

"You used to stay in the house Friday night just to watch T.G.I.F."

That's when TV was pure. You couldn't beat Urkel on "Family Matters" or Suzanne Somers, who I was in love with, on "Step by Step." Now, we have "Survivor" and "Dancing with the Stars." Its just not the same.

One of the last items I found was the fact that we could sing either the theme song to "Duck Tales," or "The Fresh Prince of Bel-Air."

I hope you are all singing one, if not both of these songs right now as you read this. I know I did.

It makes me feel old, but who cares?

And just for old times sake, lets all go re-watch the Turtle movies while playing Oregon Trail and singing one of Will Smith's best songs ever.

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Growing number of minorities leaving Wartburg

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Surprising news came last week. Jason Woods, associate director for diversity recruitment, announced that he was leaving Wartburg. In fact, he is leaving Friday.

So what's the big deal? Jason is African-American and is becoming part of a growing phenomenon at Wartburg—another minority leaving. He is one of only eight minority staff members.

Why point out Jason's race? Because it's the first thing people notice when they meet him. No one is colorblind. There is no way we can separate ourselves from the color of our skin; therefore, we try to combat the stereotypes and prejudices that begin because of what people see when they first meet us.

What, then, is the liberal arts education we value so much for, if not to challenge us in every way possible? It is common knowledge that we grow and learn the most when we step outside of our comfort zones. How do we come about having those comfort zones, though? Think about all of the people who have affected you throughout your life. They were role models for you. They guided and challenged you in every way possible.

Jason does this for many students on campus, no matter the race. Jason believes in this institution's support and concern for diversity. His dream of bringing people from different backgrounds together to learn and grow from each other and to create leaders who embrace diversity is important.

What are we doing to keep his dream here? Why did someone so valuable to us find himself to be even more valuable elsewhere?

We understand that some things cannot be changed; Jason's leaving is one. However, we can continue his dream by acknowledging the struggle that many students confront daily. These students struggle to identify themselves with the majority. It is natural to relate to people who look like us, with whom we share a similar background; some become our role models because we share the same reality.

For that reason, minority students need minority staff to serve as those models. We do not doubt the ability of students to relate to a staff member of a different color, but we also recognize that it is just as important for students to receive guidance and support from someone who knows what it is like to be a person of color in a racist society.

To demonstrate concern that another minority person is leaving, many students and staff this week will be tying a strip of black cloth to their wrists to draw attention to the need for more minority staff who can help us all learn, creating those leaders who embrace diversity at Wartburg. If you believe in this cause, please e-mail us, and we'll provide a strip of cloth for you. We challenge you to create change.

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TRUMPET/*National and World*

Columnist inflames conflict

DION NISSENBAUM *MCT NEWS*

For two years, author Sayed Kashua, an Arab-Israeli, has been writing a popular weekly newspaper column for one of Israel's Hebrew-language newspapers, Haaretz. The column often takes a lighthearted look at discrimination and other challenges facing the Arab minority in this largely Jewish nation.

But a few weeks ago, as Israel's war with Hezbollah in Lebanon wound down, Kashua made what was for his Jewish readers a startling confession. He confessed he'd been hoping Israel would lose.

The piece generated scores of angry e-mails, letters and phone calls. It also exposed the anger that Israel's Arab citizens feel over how their country treats them and became another provocation for an anti-Arab backlash that's still unfolding.

The Israeli parliament's ethics committee last week suspended two Arab-Israeli lawmakers, one for a day, the other for three days, after one called the defense minister a "child-murderer" and the other denounced opposition politician Benjamin Netanyahu as an "angel of death."

Israel's attorney general has launched an investigation into a group of Arab-Israeli lawmakers who took a postwar solidarity trip to Syria, a journey that may have violated the country's ban on visits to "enemy nations."

"Jews and Arabs did not come out of this war more united," said Elie Rekhess, director of the Adenauer Program for Jewish-Arab Cooperation at the Dayan Center of Tel Aviv University. "Instead, the mistrust between Jews and Arabs has deepened."

Kashua, for one, is skeptical that the war will do much to change things in a nation ever struggling to reconcile its often-competing identities as a Jewish and democratic country.

"For me, at least, there is nothing secure about being a citizen of Israel," Kashua said. "If it's not going to change as a Jewish country, I don't see how we can fit."

Chuck Kennedy *MCT Photograph*

Students at the Louisiana Center for the Blind tackle unseen rapids to prepare for life's bigger challenges.

Blind camp gives vision to all

FRANK GREVE *MCT NEWS*

As two men waded with their rubber raft into the thundering Ocoee River for a run down its serious rapids, the younger man crowed, "If we survive this, we'll be heroes!"

"Yeah," the older replied, "but if we drown, they'll call us dumb a---- who got what they deserved."

The older man is Jerrel Lambright, 57, an undertaker. Like the other man, Harlon Cowsar, 35, a college student, Lambright attends the Louisiana Center for the Blind in Ruston, La. Most of its 20 enrollees recently paddled their way down five miles of the Ocoee's Class III and IV rapids. Rapids they couldn't see.

The school's purpose is to build the skills and confidence that free graduates to regard blindness as "not a tragedy or a debilitating disease," director Pam Allen explained.

The approach, which draws students from across the country, is gaining favor for its success. While nearly three-quarters of blind adults are unemployed, nine out of 10 of the center's graduates find work or enroll in college. Two other centers founded on the same multimonth boot camp approach, Blind Inc., in Minneapolis, and the Colorado Center for the Blind, in Littleton enjoy similar success.

The private schools train students to use canes, read Braille, shop, cook, clean and master software that turns words and images into audible speech. Confidence-building is essential, which is why Allen's students spent three days riding rapids, hiking, teetering across cables strung between trees and skimming 1,000 feet down a mountain on a zip line.

Being blind may make it better, Cowsar ventured: "It's less anticipation, more adrenaline."

Jerry Darnell, the school's pony-tailed shop instructor said all the derring-do "gives people bragging rights when they get back home-that and ammunition when people tell you you can't do something."

Governor's races affect presidential elections

CRAIG GILBERT *MCT NEWS*

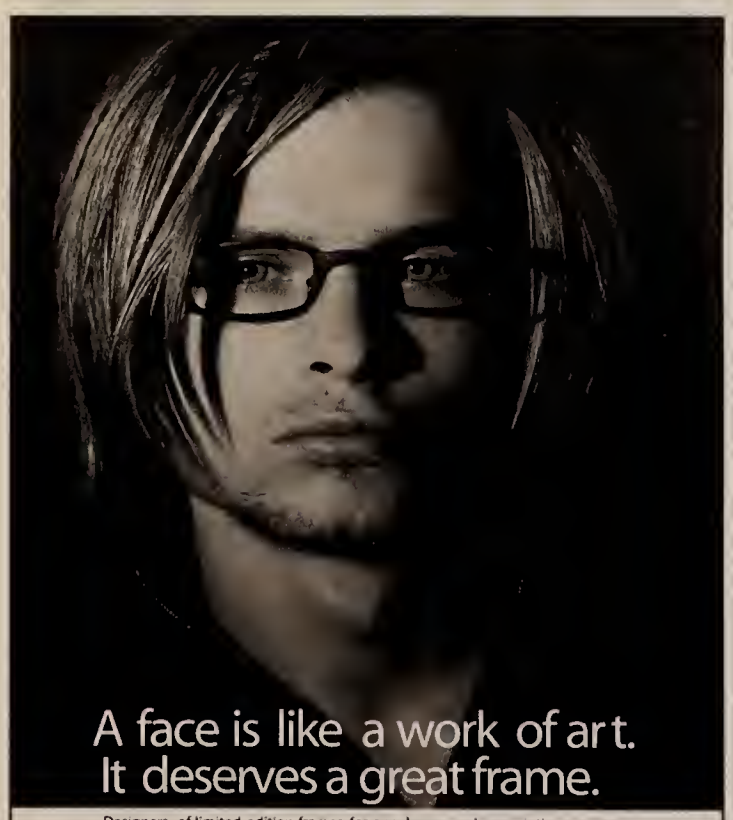
Many of this year's gubernatorial races are taking place in the nation's most competitive presidential battlegrounds: Wisconsin, Iowa, Michigan, Colorado and Nevada, to name a few.

The outcome will have a bearing on presidential politics. Governors can play an active role in the sort of ultra-tight races the nation saw in 2000 and 2004.

Republicans have their own pick-up opportunities, including Iowa. Governors will be elected this year in each of the 11 states decided by fewer than 5 percentage points in 2004.

Aside from whatever intangibles they may provide, they can matter in very concrete ways. Governors help shape voting rules, which have themselves become a battleground in presidential politics.

Democrats believe George Bush won the presidency in 2000 because his brother Jeb was governor amid Florida's post-election dispute.



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Walker reaches 200th win milestone

Success attributed to talented players, coaches

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Jennifer Walker gives her volleyball players a pep talk during a break between games.

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The number 200 is significant for Jennifer Walker, head volleyball coach, who achieved her 200th career victory Sept. 8 at Jefferson's Sugarloaf Classic in Winona, Minn. The milestone was reached in a match against Maranatha Baptist College.

However, Walker isn't content with settling for that; she has bigger goals in mind.

"I want to shoot for 25 wins," Walker said of this season. "That would be fantastic."

She has led her teams to five of their best seasons ever, making her the most successful volleyball coach in Wartburg history. Her 30 wins in 2002 and 2003 set new school records, raising the bar for future teams.

Walker attributes her success to the great athletes that come through the program.

"They're out there doing the work," Walker said. "I just guide them." The goal, she said, is to improve every year.

"We have a very athletic team now. But we need to be more competitive, more cut-throat."

The team, Walker said, is a group of very nice people. She wants to teach them how to be mean on the court, but step off the court after an aggressive match and act nice again.

Walker explained the key to making the most out of her athletes is bringing them together to bond closely. Respect for each other and coaches is vital.

Traci Robinson, a senior, said of Walker, "She's positive and always encourages us, which I know helps us a lot."

Walker began as head coach nine years ago after leaving Olivet College of Mich. as head women's volleyball and softball coach. Her career record at Wartburg stands at 203-95.

Walker remains humble about her milestone and is focused on a winning season.

"I think it's funny," she said. "It doesn't seem like a big deal. It's nice to be recognized, but it's not just me."

Overall record: 203-95
2005 Record: 20-14
2004 Record: 18-19
2003 Record: 30-11
2002 Record: 30-10
2001 Record: 28-8
2000 Record: 29-5
1999 Record: 15-17
1998 Record: 26-4

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Wartburg graduate runs for state representative

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Alek Wipperman, '06, an Iowa House of Representatives hopeful, hosted a fundraiser Saturday at the Waverly Civic Center.

"The goal of the event was to reach supporters on all levels," Kate Hunt, Wipperman's campaign manager, said. "Many who attended have known about Alek for a while, and continue to show their support. Others were meeting him for the first time, which is essential in gaining support throughout the district."

Those in attendance included Bill Heckroth, candidate for Iowa Senate; Karen Thalacker, chair of the Bremer County Democrats and Ed Fallon, former candidate for governor of Iowa.

Heckroth updated the audience on his campaign and spoke about the power of word-of-mouth techniques. Heckroth and Wipperman have worked together throughout their campaigns and often appear at the same events. Both spoke of their support for each other and their faith that change is ahead.

Thalacker emphasized energy conservation, education and keeping people in Iowa before introducing Wipperman as "the next great thing to happen to Iowa politics."

Wipperman spoke on issues such as education, health care and politics in general.

"We need to talk about changing politics as a whole," he said. "It's important to elect people who support the things you support."

All speakers emphasized the importance of forming personal contacts while campaigning. Wipperman said he knocked on about 6,000 doors in Bremer and Butler counties to meet potential voters and discuss their concerns.

Wipperman concluded by introducing Fallon, who he said shaped the way he has run his campaign.

Fallon told stories of citizens he spoke with during his campaign and explained his current efforts to back the Democratic candidates regardless of his loss in the primaries.

"Having someone that is known for his progressive ideals such as Ed Fallon to come in support of Alek was wonderful," Hunt said. "Every time we have an event like this, it's almost like a reunion of the community. You see people that you have seen at other events, others that you haven't met before."

The next speaking event for Wipperman is the Bremer County Democrats Fall Fundraiser on Oct. 8 at the Waverly Civic Center. In the mean time, Wipperman will attend weekly coffee gatherings and meetings with other District 17 leaders. He also will be at Wartburg with other Democratic candidates on Oct. 21 when Senator Tom Harkin visits.

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Whitney Free/*Trumpet*

Candidate Wipperman speaks to supporters at a fundraiser Saturday

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Wartburg and East Coast college collaborate

WHITNEY FREE *STAFF WRITER*

Wartburg students will work with a New Hampshire college to enhance understanding of politics during the 2008 presidential election.

Students will work with Franklin Pierce College in Rindge, N.H., in an initiative called Engaging Students: First in the Nation. The purpose is to take a deeper look at the primaries and caucuses.

Ferol Menzel, dean of faculty, asked Penni Pier, associate professor of communication arts, and Fred Waldstein, professor of political science, to lead the project at Wartburg.

"Because of my expertise in political communication, Dean Menzel and Dr. Waldstein thought I might be interested in leading the project," said Pier.

Pier said the project will begin next summer. Scholars at each school will be chosen by applying. Students will take a summer course that Pier hopes will include the two groups visiting each other's campuses.

"We hope this two-college collaboration will get students more involved in the election," Pier said.

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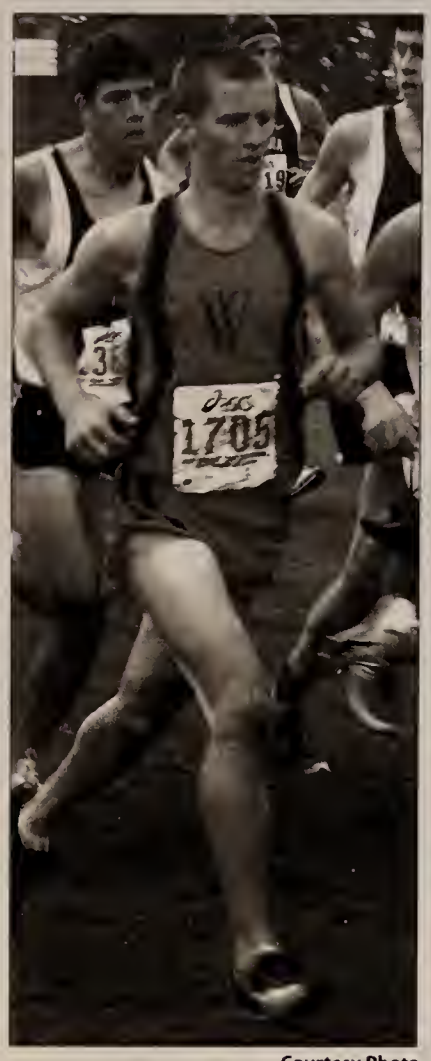
TRUMPET/*Sports*

Men's cross catches ranked teams with top five finish

Wagaman unstoppable for women in a third place finish; Mullenbach top finisher for men



Courtesy Photo

Luke Tjosvold runs to a 55th place finish.

ADAM HARRINGA
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The 15th-ranked men went into the Roy Griak Invitational, a meet featuring top Div. II and III teams from across the nation, hoping for a team title. With key runners sitting out with injuries, they finished fourth out of 53 teams.

"It was a solid race, finishing fourth in a field of more than 10 ranked teams," Head Coach Steve Johnson said. "We decided to go out hard and see if we could hang on. It was a good learning experience. We haven't done anything fast in training yet, so it was a strain to do that in a race."

Although Wartburg currently doesn't have a front-runner as they have in years past, they are deeper than they have ever been, and they showed it at the Roy Griak with only 20 seconds separating their top five finishers.

"I think our spread was good, but we have the capabilities of having that group farther up to the front of the race," said Andy Hodge, a junior.

Despite a field of over 500 runners, the men were able to run together and feed off each other.

"We moved through the pack together, and it was good to have teammates helping early in the race. It played a key part to finishing strong," Brian Mullenbach, Wartburg's first runner, said.

"The underclassmen really rose to the occasion," added Johnson. "Brian Chenoweth and Tony Fischels and Brian Mullenbach stepped up, but hopefully with everyone running healthy in a couple weeks we can improve."

"We didn't run as well as we wanted, but the main goal is to be running strong at the end of the season," Tony Fischels, a sophomore, said. "If we stay strong in workouts and race tough, we will be on pace for a main goal," Fischels said. That goal is to finish in the top four, which would earn the team its first national trophy.

The ninth-ranked women, running in the Div. II race, finished 10th out of 29 teams. They were led by Jill Wagaman, a senior, who finished third overall, beating several All-Americans.

In a field of 278 runners, Wagaman went through the mile in 12th, and by the three kilometer mark had moved up to third.

"I felt really strong, I got out in a position I could move up," Wagaman said. From there, Wagaman held her position but did not move up at all.

"I need to work on my kick, but we're not working on speed work yet," Wagaman said. "It's still early in the season."

Although Wagaman ran well, the women could have placed higher as a team.

"We had some good individual races," Assistant Coach Tyson Keith said. "Amanda Kuiken and Amanda Paige had really good races, but I think as a team we have some work to do. We're not where we want to be, but it's only September; and it's still eight weeks until nationals."

The Knights will have the next weekend off to prepare for their home meet, the Dan Huston Invitational, on Oct. 7 at the Waverly Municipal Golf Course at 10 a.m.

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Roy Griak Results

Women's 6K
3 Jill Wagaman, 23:00
46 Heidi Porter, 24:21
54 Amanda Kuiken, 24:27
83 Anna Kraayenbrink, 24:56
119 Julie Ridenour, 25:49

Men's 8K
31 Brian Mullenbach, 26:47
34 Brian Chenoweth, 26:49
37 Andy Hodge, 26:51
49 Tony Fischels, 27:06
55 Lucas Tjosvold, 27:07

Soccer looks to home games

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first goals on the season to round-out the scoring against the Norse.

McClyman was happy to finally step into his role at forward and make a difference after playing in the defense throughout the 2005 season.

"I feel like I know what I'm going up against after playing defense and I have a new appreciation for both sides of the game," McClyman said.

Head Coach Jim Conlon is pleased with how the team has set the tone early for future conference play.

"We're looking to build off of our 1-0 start in the conference and continue to prepare for games in Oct.," Conlon said.

Wartburg prepared for the Luther game earlier this week, facing two non-conference opponents on the road.

The men's team has back-to-back home games this weekend, starting on Friday at 7 p.m. in a non-conference match-up against North Park (Ill.) and then will take on conference foe Coe College at 3 p.m. Saturday.

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Knights rely on talent to carry squad

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improved our blocking this year," said Bates. "I would say we work really well together."

Liz Plum, a freshman outside hitter, sparked the Wartburg offense with eight kills, a presence that Walker admits she is extremely grateful to have on the team.

"Liz has been a great asset," Walker said. "We're really glad she came to us this year."

Treanor capped a long rally in the third game with a key block to put the Knights within three points of putting the match away, and Bates believes that long rally was responsible for shutting the Norse down at the end.

"It got them down and helped us step up and do what we need to do," Bates said.

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Losses plague tennis team

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The Wartburg women's tennis team lost 6-3 to Simpson College in Iowa Conference dual action on Tuesday.

Jodie Pearson, a senior, won the number three singles match 6-4, 4-6, 10-8. Sara Bickford, a junior, followed that with a 6-2, 3-6, 10-8 victory.

The duo of Emily Heying, a freshman, and Bickford picked up a doubles win 8-6, over Simpson's Jessica Nims and Martha Davis.

"Simpson was a team we always look forward to playing, but this time we couldn't come out on top," said Amanda Barkema, a junior.

Wartburg falls to 3-6 overall and 1-3 in Iowa Conference play, while the Storm improved their record to 4-2 overall and 3-2 in conference play.

Wartburg will look to raise their Iowa Conference standing this week. The Knights travel to Cedar Rapids to take on Coe College on Tuesday, then end the week with the Loras at home on Friday.

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OT loss to Norse sinks women's soccer

Women give up goal late and drop conference opener

JOSH URBAN *STAFF WRITER*

With only one conference game under their belts, the Wartburg women's soccer team is looking to improve on their 5-5 record as they start the remainder of their conference schedule.

The Knights are coming off a four-game week in which they went 2-2 with two 4-1 wins, one against Elmhurst College (Ill.) and the other against North Park (Ill.). The losses were decided by only one goal apiece.

The Knight traveled to Northfield, Minn. to take on St. Olaf and fell by a score of 2-1.

The women then traveled to Decorah to take on conference rival Luther College and fell at the hands of the Norse with less than one minute left in the first overtime period.

"We played hard, and we played well. We should be able to move forward in a positive way and get things done," Knights leading goal-scorer Andi Hudgens, a junior, said.

The Knights resume action Saturday against the Coe at home. Game time is slated for 1 p.m.

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Roland Ferrie/ *Trumpet*

Midfielder Britt Cogan dribbles the ball to the goal.

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Cross country finishes strong at elite meet. See story on page 7.

Volleyball team defeats Luther, extends streak

Volleyball team pushes win streak against Luther to 12 matches after win Tuesday night

AUSTIN DRAUDE *STAFF WRITER*

Wartburg's volleyball dominance over Luther continued Tuesday night with a home sweep, extending Luther's losing streak to six matches. The Knights' 30-24, 30-20, 30-16 win marked four sweeps in a row and a 12-match win streak overall against the Norse.

The win puts the Knights back on the winning track in anticipation of the match-up with the 12th-rated Central Dutch Tuesday night.

Jessica Bates, a junior, says there is nothing different about the way her team is preparing for their highly-ranked opponent.

"We're looking at this game like we look at any other game," Bates said.

Head Coach Jennifer Walker says Wartburg's key to beating Central is to maintain its game.

"Their gym is really hard to play at," Walker said. "We can't let their fans rattle us."

Despite the challenges that loom ahead, Bates has confidence in her team.

"They may be tough, but we're tougher," she said.

Walker praised her team's efforts Tuesday night against the Norse, especially the Knights' teamwork and tenacity.

"Our athletes had great energy and good communication," Walker said. "They battled off a lot of points with good, long volleys. I was very pleased with their effort tonight."

Even though the volleyball rivalry with Luther doesn't exactly receive marquee billing, that doesn't mean the team doesn't look forward to the match up.

"Any time you play Luther, you still want to beat them," Walker said. "We played really well tonight and we took care of business."

Wartburg out blocked Luther 11-2 during the match, led by Sheena Treanor, a senior, and Bates. Bates noted that her tandem work with Treanor at the net is stronger now than in the past.

"We've both really

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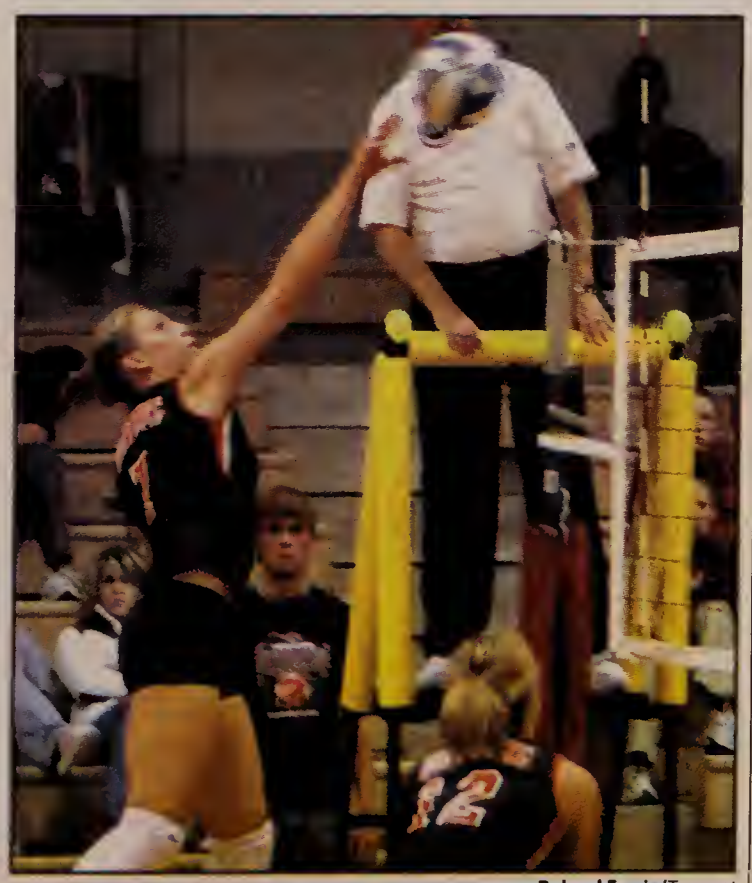

Roland Ferrie/*Trumpet*

Outside hitter Kelsey Steffens, a sophomore, spikes the ball against the Norse at the Waverly-Shell Rock High School gymnasium.

Roland Ferrie/*Trumpet*

Running back Dan Hammes, a senior, jukes past a Luther defender en route to a 161-yard performance.

Football runs past Luther

Hammes reaches 2,000-yard career rush plateau to power offense while defense stymies pass-happy Luther attack to keep the Knights undefeated

LUKE SHANNO *ASSISTANT SPORTS EDITOR*

Behind a strong offensive attack led by running back Dan Hammes, a senior, the No. 22 ranked Wartburg football team defeated Iowa Conference rival Luther 28-17 at home Saturday.

Hammes gained 161 yards on the ground, including a 52-yard touchdown scamper in the fourth quarter, on his way to eclipsing the 2,000-yard rushing mark for his career.

"Coming in with the tradition of running backs we've had, I think this is a big accomplishment, and it's great to get it," Hammes said. "But I'll say it time and time again, it's secondary to coming out here and putting up a victory."

The Norse started strong in the opening drive as they marched 70 yards on the Knight defense but couldn't convert on the field goal, but later made a 22-yard kick for a 3-0 lead.

"They just got out quick and kind of kicked our defense in the rear," Head Coach Eric Koehler said. "That might be a sign of a young defense, but other than that we played pretty well defensively."

The Knights entered halftime with a 7-3 lead after a 4-yard touchdown pass from quarterback Dan Bauder, a sophomore, to Marcus Hemesath, a fellow sophomore, and they never looked back.

Wartburg put up one touchdown in the third quarter, and then the game turned into an offensive slugfest as both teams traded multiple scores in the final quarter.

After a 13-year win streak against the Norse, the Knights fell victim in Decorah, but bounced back to reignite the rivalry flame.

"We feel that this is the way it should be year in and year out," Hammes said. "There is no reason we should come out here and not get a victory."

Saturday, the Knights travel to Pella to take on the No. 14 ranked Dutch of Central College. Game time is 1 p.m. at Ron and Joyce Schipper Stadium.

"There is no doubt that next week's game is a big game in the Iowa Conference," Koehler said. "It will be a challenge and a good game, but I think our kids are ready to go."

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Soccer shuts out the Norse

Shepard stops Luther's offensive attacks for his fifth shutout of the season

ABBY SHOWALTER *SPORTS EDITOR*

Dominating rival teams has become a specialty for the Wartburg men's soccer team. The Knights beat up on conference foe Luther on Saturday by a score of 4-0 in the first conference game of the season. This is Wartburg's fifth straight win over Luther.

Wartburg enjoyed a 21-7 shot advantage on the Norse, while Knight's goalkeeper Matt Shepard, a sophomore, earned his fifth shut-out of the season. Shepard was named to the D3Kicks.com team of the week for play this season.

Leading the goal scoring for Wartburg was forward Luke McClyman, a junior, who tallied three goals for the week, including two against Luther. Midfielders Casey Johnson, a junior, and Geoff Miller, a freshman, each netted their

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